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Dear Randolph County School System Parent/Guardian:

Welcome to the "North Carolina School Report Card" for the Randolph County School System (RCSS). The data included in this document pertains to the 2016-2017 school year. It will provide important information about your child's school and the entire school system. More specifically, the information includes topics such as school performance grades, school performance, student performance, class sizes, student attendance, school safety, school facilities, instructional resources, and teacher quality. In addition, data associated with annual participation requirements is included. Schools are required to test at least 95% of their students (for all student groups and student subgroups) in relation to the state assessments administered for accountability. In summary, "North Carolina School Report Card" data is available for each school in RCSS, the whole school system, and the entire statewide public education system.

Multiple areas in need of improvement in our school system have been identified with the aid of this data. Nonetheless, as noted by the data, 80.6% of our schools "met growth" or "exceeded growth" in terms of students' academic performance for the 2016-2017 school year. Furthermore, with regard to the 2016-2017 school year, the school system's graduation rate was 89.4%. With this graduation rate, RCSS had a higher graduation rate than the state's rate of 86.5%. Still, our school system has much work to do in terms of our students' academic success/proficiency results in relation to the state's accountability targets.

The complete "North Carolina School Report Card" is posted at www.ncpublicschools.org/src. This website also has a full report card for each RCSS school as well as the school system as a whole. A three-page summary, named "Report Card Snapshot," is posted on this website as well.

In RCSS, it is the staff's goal to inform parents and community members about our school system's progress. We also strive to get these individuals involved in our schools. Both groups are very important to our school system's success. Thank you for your interest in our schools as well as your support of our efforts to provide the children of this county with a high-quality education.

Respectfully,

Stephen Gainey
Superintendent